Diary from the New World

Your homework is to write a diary from the perspective of a settler living in Plimouth or Jamestown. Use your ***Plimouth Virtual Tour*** notes and your ***Plimouth Jigsaw*** notes to make your letter historically accurate. If you would like to do additional research, you may. If you would like to review these sources, they can be found on the 5th Grade Wiki.

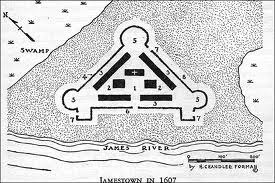
You should touch on a least four of the following topics (refer to the rubric for grading):

* Why you came to the New World
* Interaction with Natives
* How you get your food and medicine
* What your living conditions are like
* What sort of tools, weapons, household items you have
* What are the educational opportunities

If you would like to attach additional pages, or make your document in Google Docs or Book Creator you may certainly do so.

Please make sure your writing is neat and grammatically correct. This may mean doing a rough draft!

You should also include one drawing. It could be of the settlement, colonists dressed in the clothing of the time period, an inside view of your home, or the ship you traveled to the new world on.



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|  | **Not Proficient** | **Approaching**  **Proficient** | **Proficient** | **Exceeds** |
| **Factual Evidence**  ***(Standards: RI.7, RI.9,***  ***History, Culture)*** | I wrote about two or less features.  I provided minimal or inaccurate details. | I wrote about three or less features.  The details are minimal or inaccurate. | I wrote about four features.  Each feature is well supported with at least two accurate details. | I wrote about more than four features.  Each feature is very well supported with many accurate details. |
| **Spelling and Grammar**  **(L1, L2)** | Spelling and grammatical errors take away from the meaning of my assignment. | There are a number of spelling or grammatical errors in my assignment. | I have very few spelling or grammatical errors. | I have no spelling or grammatical errors. |
| **Presentation** | It is clear that I did not give serious effort.  My illustration is inaccurate or I did not include an illustration. | My illustration could be neater.  It is inaccurate or provides little information on my subject. | My illustration is neat.  It provides some information on my subject. | My illustration is neat and thoughtfully designed.  It provides ample information on my subject. |